this act, or any other act relative to the mitigation or remission of such fines, penalties, or forfeitures; the amount of which right and claim shall be assessed and valued by the proper judge, or court, in a summary manner. commenced or information given.

Sec. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That this act shall continue in force for the term of two years, and from thence to the end of the next session of Congress, and no longer. Limitation. Repealed 1800, ch. 6.

Approved, March 3, 1797.

Statute II.

Chap. XIV.—*An Act to authorize the receipt of evidences of the Public Debt, in payment for the Lands of the United States.* March 3, 1797.

[Obsolete.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the evidences of the public debt of the United States, shall be receivable in payment for any of the lands which may be hereafter sold in conformity to the act, intituled "An act providing for the sale of the lands of the United States, in the territory northwest of the river Ohio, and above the mouth of Kentucky river," at the following rates, viz.: the present foreign debt of the United States, and such debt, or stock, as, at the time of payment, shall bear an interest of six per centum per annum, shall be received at their nominal value; and the other species of debt, or stock, of the United States, shall be received at a rate bearing the same proportion to their respective market price, at the seat of government, at the time of payment, as the nominal value of the above mentioned six per centum stock shall, at the same time, bear to its market price at the same place; the Secretary of the Treasury, in all cases, determining what such market price is. Stock of the United States received in payment for western lands. Ante, p. 464.

Approved, March 3, 1797.

Statute II.

Chap. XV.—*An Act to alter the time for the next meeting of Congress.* March 3, 1797.

[Obsolete.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That after the end of the present session, the next meeting of Congress shall be on the first Monday of November, in the present year.

Approved, March 3, 1797.

Statute II.

Chap. XVI.—*An Act to amend and repeal, in part, the Act intituled "An Act to ascertain and fix the Military Establishment of the United States."* March 3, 1797.

[Repealed.]

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the third section of the act, passed the thirtieth of May, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, intituled "An act to ascertain and fix the military establishment of the United States," together with all other parts thereof which relate to provision made for the major general and his staff, be repealed; and that all such parts of the said act, together with so much of the twenty-third section, as may be construed to affect the Brigadier, and the whole of the eleventh section of the said act be, and are hereby repealed. Act of May 30, 1796, ch. 39. Certain sections repealed.

Sec. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That there shall be one brigadier general, who may choose his brigade major and inspector, from the captains and subalterns in the line, (to each of whom there shall be allowed the monthly pay of twenty-five dollars, in addition to his pay in the line, and two rations extraordinary per day; and whenever forage shall not be furnished by the public, to ten dollars per month in lieu thereof.) That there shall be one judge advocate, who shall be taken from the Brigadier General. Inspector. See p. 557, post.

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